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Sir:

Prior to commencing substantive examination, kindly amend the subject application as follows:

AMENDMENT

In the Specification:

Please replace page 12, lines 11-27 with the following paragraph:

A Referring to Figure 2, an implementation of a fuel cell system comprises a power source 508 and a fuel storage unit 502. A flowable fuel is contained with the fuel storage unit 502. A first flow path (line 504, pump 506, and line 507) delivers fuel from the fuel storage unit 502 to the power source 508. Some or all of this fuel is deposited into the individual cell cavities within the power source 508. (As described in U.S. Patent No. 6,296,958, which is hereby incorporated herein by reference, one or more fluid mechanical devices may be employed to deposit the fuel into the cell cavities). A second flow path 510 delivers fuel that is not deposited into the cell cavities to the fuel storage unit 502. The flow of fuel from the fuel storage unit 502 to the power

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